

Variable	Description	Values
Unique_ID	Unique ID of each respondent	-
Sample	Indication of whether the respondent is part of the main study or the follow-up study	1: Main study 2: First follow-up 3: Second follow-up
Collection_date	Date respondent completed survey	-
Treatment_group	Treatment group	0: Benchmark/Control group 1: Civility + Low issue polarization 2: Incivility + Low issue polarization 3: Civility + High issue polarization 4: Incivility + High issue polarization
Civility_or_incivility	Indicates whether treatment describes civility or incivility.	0: Civility 1: Incivility
Low_or_high_issue_pol	Indicates whether treatment describes low or high issue polarization.	0: Low issue polarization 1: High issue polarization
Order_of_issues	Indicates whether the drilling issue was presented before the air traffic issue, or vice versa.	0: Air traffic issue presented first / drilling issue presented second 1: Drilling issue presented first / air traffic issue presented second
Intentions_or_competence	Indicates whether the quotes in the treatment material pertain to the intentions or competence of the political opposition.	0: Intentions on air traffic issue/ Competence on drilling issue 1: Intentions on drilling issue/ Competence on air traffic issue
Affective_or_trust	Indicates whether the trust/affective polarization questions were asked after the drilling or the air traffic issue.	0: Affective polarization follows drilling / Trust follows air traffic 1: Trust follows drilling / Affective polarization follows air traffic
Time_spent_drilling	Number of seconds spent on page with treatment information for drilling issue.	-
Time_spent_air_traffic	Number of seconds spent on page with treatment information for air traffic issue.	-
PartyID_full scale	Question wording: "Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent?"	1: Strong Republican 2: Weak Republican 3: Independent leaning Republican 4: Pure independent 5: Independent leaning Democrat 6: Weak Democrat 7: Strong Democrat 8: Something else 9: Don't know

Gender	Question wording: "What is your gender?"	1: Male 2: Female 3: Other
Age	Question wording: "What is your age?"	-
Educational level	Question wording: "What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?"	1: Less than 1st grade 2: 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th grade 3: 5th or 6th grade 4: 7th or 8th grade 5: 9th grade 6: 10th grade 7: 11th grade 8: 12th grade without diploma 9: High school graduate, high school diploma or equivalent (for example: GED) 10: Some college but no degree 11: Associate degree in college - Occupational/vocational program 12: Associate degree in college - Academic program 13: Bachelor's degree (For example: BA, AB, BS) 14: Master's degree (For example: MA, MS, MEng, MEd, MSW, MBA) 15: Professional school degree (For example: MD, DDS, DVM, LLB, JD) 16: Doctorate degree (For example: PhD, EdD) 17: Other, please specify 18: Don't know
Conflict_aversion_1	Question wording: "Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements. - I find conflicts exiting"	1: Strongly agree 2: Agree 3: Somewhat agree 4: Neither agree nor disagree 5: Somewhat disagree 6: Disagree 7: Strongly disagree 8: Don't know
Conflict_aversion_2	Question wording: "Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements. - I enjoy challenging the opinions of others"	1: Strongly agree 2: Agree 3: Somewhat agree 4: Neither agree nor disagree 5: Somewhat disagree 6: Disagree 7: Strongly disagree 8: Don't know

Conflict_aversion_3	Question wording: "Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements. - I hate arguments"	1: Strongly agree 2: Agree 3: Somewhat agree 4: Neither agree nor disagree 5: Somewhat disagree 6: Disagree 7: Strongly disagree 8: Don't know
Conflict_aversion_4	Question wording: "Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements. - Arguments don't bother me"	1: Strongly agree 2: Agree 3: Somewhat agree 4: Neither agree nor disagree 5: Somewhat disagree 6: Disagree 7: Strongly disagree 8: Don't know
Self_monitoring_1	Question wording: "Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements. - I would probably make a good actor"	1: Strongly agree 2: Agree 3: Somewhat agree 4: Neither agree nor disagree 5: Somewhat disagree 6: Disagree 7: Strongly disagree 8: Don't know
Self_monitoring_2	Question wording: "Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements. - In groups of people, I am rarely the center of attention"	1: Strongly agree 2: Agree 3: Somewhat agree 4: Neither agree nor disagree 5: Somewhat disagree 6: Disagree 7: Strongly disagree 8: Don't know
Self_monitoring_3	Question wording: "Please indicate the extent to which you agree with the following statements. - I guess I put on a show to impress or entertain people"	1: Strongly agree 2: Agree 3: Somewhat agree 4: Neither agree nor disagree 5: Somewhat disagree 6: Disagree 7: Strongly disagree 8: Don't know
Passed_attention_check	Indication of whether respondent passed or failed attention check	0: Failed attention check 1: Passed attention check

Attitude_drilling	Question wording: "Given this information, to what extent do you oppose or support drilling for oil and gas off the Atlantic Coast and in the Arctic?"	1: Strongly support 2: Support 3: Slightly support 4: Neither oppose nor support 5: Slightly oppose 6: Oppose 7: Strongly oppose 8: Don't know
Attitude_airtraffic	Question wording: "Given this information, to what extent do you oppose or support allowing private firms to be in charge of air traffic controllers?"	1: Strongly support 2: Support 3: Slightly support 4: Neither oppose nor support 5: Slightly oppose 6: Oppose 7: Strongly oppose 8: Don't know
Thermometer_democrats	Question wording: "How warm or cold do you feel about the Democrats in Congress who work on this issue? And what about the Republicans?Ratings between 50 degrees and 100 degrees mean that you feel favorable and warm toward them. Ratings between 0 degrees and 50 degrees mean that you don't feel favorable toward them.-The Democrats in Congress who work on this issue"	-
Thermometer_republicans	Question wording: "How warm or cold do you feel about the Democrats in Congress who work on this issue? And what about the Republicans? Ratings between 50 degrees and 100 degrees mean that you feel favorable and warm toward them. Ratings between 0 degrees and 50 degrees mean that you don't feel favorable toward them. -The Republicans in Congress who work on this issue"	-

Word_rating_Democrats1	Question wording: "To what extent do you think the following words describe the Democrats in Congress who work on this issue concerning offshore drilling [air traffic controllers]? -Mean"	1: Describes them extremely well 2: Describes them very well 3: Describes them moderately well 4: Describes them slightly well 5: Does not describe them 6: Don't know
Word_rating_Democrats2	Question wording: "To what extent do you think the following words describe the Democrats in Congress who work on this issue concerning offshore drilling [air traffic controllers]? -Intelligent"	1: Describes them extremely well 2: Describes them very well 3: Describes them moderately well 4: Describes them slightly well 5: Does not describe them 6: Don't know
Word_rating_Democrats3	Question wording: "To what extent do you think the following words describe the Democrats in Congress who work on this issue concerning offshore drilling [air traffic controllers]? -Selfish"	1: Describes them extremely well 2: Describes them very well 3: Describes them moderately well 4: Describes them slightly well 5: Does not describe them 6: Don't know
Word_rating_Republicans1	Question wording: "To what extent do you think the following words describe the Democrats in Congress who work on this issue concerning offshore drilling [air traffic controllers]? -Mean"	1: Describes them extremely well 2: Describes them very well 3: Describes them moderately well 4: Describes them slightly well 5: Does not describe them 6: Don't know
Word_rating_Republicans2	Question wording: "To what extent do you think the following words describe the Democrats in Congress who work on this issue concerning offshore drilling [air traffic controllers]? -Intelligent"	1: Describes them extremely well 2: Describes them very well 3: Describes them moderately well 4: Describes them slightly well 5: Does not describe them 6: Don't know
Word_rating_Republicans3	Question wording: "To what extent do you think the following words describe the Democrats in Congress who work on this issue concerning offshore drilling [air traffic controllers]? -Selfish"	1: Describes them extremely well 2: Describes them very well 3: Describes them moderately well 4: Describes them slightly well 5: Does not describe them 6: Don't know
Trust1	Question wording: "How much trust do you have in the members of Congress who work on this issue?"	1: A great deal of trust 2: Some trust 3: Little trust 4: Hardly any trust 5: Don't know

Trust2	Question wording: "To what extent do you perceive the members of Congress who work on this issue to be trustworthy?"	1: To a very high extent 2: - 3: - 4: - 5: To some extent 6: - 7: - 8: - 9: To no extent 10: Don't know
Perceived_issue_pol_drilling	Question wording: "Regardless of the tone of the debate, would you say that Democratic politicians, on average, agree or disagree with Republican politicians about allowing drilling for oil and gas off the Atlantic Coast and in the Arctic?"	1: Strongly agree 2: Somewhat agree 3: Somewhat disagree 4: Strongly disagree 5: Don't know
Perceived_issue_pol_air_traffic	Question wording: "Regardless of the tone of the debate, would you say that Democratic politicians, on average, agree or disagree with Republican politicians about allowing private firms to be in charge of air traffic controllers?"	1: Strongly agree 2: Somewhat agree 3: Somewhat disagree 4: Strongly disagree 5: Don't know
Perceived_incivility_drilling	Question wording: "Regardless of how much the parties actually agree or disagree on the issue, how would you describe the overall tone of the debate in Congress concerning... -...drilling?"	1: Very rude 2: Rude 3: Slightly rude 4: Neither rude nor polite 5: Slightly polite 6: Polite 7: Very polite 8: Don't know
Perceived_incivility_air_traffic	Question wording: "Regardless of how much the parties actually agree or disagree on the issue, how would you describe the overall tone of the debate in Congress concerning... -...air traffic controllers?"	1: Very rude 2: Rude 3: Slightly rude 4: Neither rude nor polite 5: Slightly polite 6: Polite 7: Very polite 8: Don't know

Recall_positions_drilling	Question wording: "Do you recall whether Democrats, on average, tend to oppose or support allowing drilling for oil and gas off the Atlantic Coast and in the Arctic? What about Republicans?"	1: Democrats tend to oppose, Republicans tend to support 2: Democrats tend to support, Republicans tend to oppose 3: Both tend to support 4: Both tend to oppose 5: Don't know
Recall_positions_airtraffic	Question wording: "Do you recall whether Democrats, on average, tend to oppose or support allowing private firms to be in charge of air traffic controllers? What about Republicans?"	1: Democrats tend to oppose, Republicans tend to support 2: Democrats tend to support, Republicans tend to oppose 3: Both tend to support 4: Both tend to oppose 5: Don't know
More_polite_drilling	Quesiton wording: "When debating these two issues, who do you think is more polite, Democrats in Congress or Republicans in Congress? - When debating drilling"	1: Democrats are much more polite/less rude 2: Democrats are more polite/less rude 3: Democrats are slightly more polite/less rude 4: Both sides are equally polite/rude 5: Republicans are slightly more polite/less rude 6: Republicans are more polite/less rude 7: Republicans are much more polite/less rude 8: Don't know
More_polite_airtraffic	Quesiton wording: "When debating these two issues, who do you think is more polite, Democrats in Congress or Republicans in Congress? - When debating air traffic controllers "	1: Democrats are much more polite/less rude 2: Democrats are more polite/less rude 3: Democrats are slightly more polite/less rude 4: Both sides are equally polite/rude 5: Republicans are slightly more polite/less rude 6: Republicans are more polite/less rude 7: Republicans are much more polite/less rude 8: Don't know